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In re application of

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For: NOVEL PROTEIN-DEAMIDATING ENZYME, MICROORGANISM PRODUCING THE SAME, GENE ENCODING THE SAME, PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR, AND USE THEREFOR

**STATEMENT TO SUPPORT FILING AND SUBMISSION IN  
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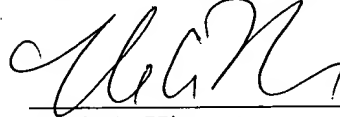
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